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1. USG CONTROLS COTTON TEXTILE IMPORTS UNDER A SERIES OF 31 BILATERAL AGREEMENTS AND UNILATERAL RESTRAINT ACTIONS TAKEN PURSUANT TO THE LONG- TERM ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES (LTA). COPY OF LTA BEING AIR POUCHED.

2. AT PRESENT, USG DOES NOT HAVE QUOTAS OR OTHER RESTRICTIONS ON TEXTILE IMPORTS FROM SWAZILAND. HOWEVER, USG TAKES UNILATERAL ACTION UNDER ARTICLES 3 AND 6(C) OF THE LTA WHEN IMPORTS OF A GIVEN COTTON TEXTILE PRODUCT CATE-
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GORY DISRUPT OR THREATEN TO DISRUPT US MARKET. WE CURRENTLY HAVE UNILATERAL RESTRAINTS ON SEVEN CATEGORIES OF COTTON TEXTILE PRODUCTS FROM SIX COUNTRIES. UNILATERAL ACTIONS ARE TAKEN ON BASIS QUANTITY, NOT VALUE, OF IMPORTS.

3. FYI - WHILE U. S. RECOGNIZES CAPITAL INVESTMENT ESSENTIAL TO SWAZILAND DEVELOPMENT, WE UNABLE ENCOURAGE EXPANSION OF TEXTILE PRODUCTION IF THIS TO BE MARKETING IN U. S. IN ADDITION SENSITIVITY U. S. DOMESTIC INDUSTRY TO MARKET DISRUPTION ISSUE, WE OBLIGATED ASSURE EQUITY TO COTTON TEXTILE TRADING PARTNERS WITH WHOM HAVE BILATERAL

AGREEMENTS AS ALL OUR COTTON TEXTILE BILATERALS INCLUDE PROVISION TO EFFECT WE WILL NOT PERMIT RAPIDLY RISING COTTON TEXTILE IMPORTS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES- END FYI. ROGERS

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